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## **FOURTH DEFENDANT SENTENCED FOR BURGLARY OF CREDIT UNIONS, BANK**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for participating in the burglaries of three area financial institutions.

**Aaron E. Rogers**, 35, of Kansas City, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Gary A. Fenner this morning to seven years and six months in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Rogers** to pay \$336,013 in restitution.

On Jan. 15, 2004, **Rogers** pleaded guilty to participating in burglaries at Central Communications Credit Union, United Consumers Credit Union and Commerce Bank.

**Rogers** admitted that he entered the Central Communications Credit Union, 2539 Broadway in Kansas City, between July 1 and July 2, 2002, and stole \$96,744.25. **Rogers** also admitted that he entered the United Consumers Credit Union, 551 Cambridge in Kansas City, between Sept. 13 and Sept. 15, 2002, and stole \$164,473. **Rogers** admitted that on Sept. 5, 2003, he entered a Commerce Bank at 13333 S. Holmes in Kansas City with the intent to steal funds from that bank as well.

**Rogers** is among five co-defendants who have pleaded guilty to participating in the area bank burglaries. They were indicted by a federal grand jury on Oct. 7, 2003.

\* **Daniel W. Pitts**, 26, of Kansas City, was sentenced on May 10, 2004, to three years and six months in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Pitts** to pay \$336,059 in restitution. On Jan. 20, 2004, **Pitts** pleaded guilty to three counts of burglary, admitting that he participated in the burglaries at Commerce Bank and the two credit unions.

\* **Richard Morse**, 26, of Kansas City, was sentenced on May 10, 2004, to three years in

federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Morse** to pay \$280,325 in restitution. On Jan. 23, 2004, **Morse** pleaded guilty, admitting that he participated in burglaries at United Consumers Credit Union and the Cross Roads Credit Union, 4226 Gardner in Kansas City, between Oct. 31 and Nov. 1, 2002, in which he stole \$72,400.

\* **Charles E. Miller**, 39, of Kansas City, was sentenced on March 10, 2004, to six months in federal prison without parole. On Nov. 12, 2003, Miller pleaded guilty to participating in the burglary of the Commerce Bank on Sept. 5, 2003.

\* **David S. Adams**, 34, of Kansas City, pleaded guilty on Dec. 11, 2003, to participating in the burglary of the Central Communications Credit Union. His sentencing hearing has not yet been scheduled.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney K. Michael Warner. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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